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ABSTRACT

Three techniques for finding the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions are investigated. A typical problem involves a linear homogeneous differential equation with variable coefficients of the form

$$P(x) y''(x) + P'(x) y'(x) + \omega^2 M(x) = 0 . \quad (1)$$

The functions $P(x)$ and $M(x)$ are functions which are positive, or have at most isolated zeroes on the fundamental interval $(0,L)$; ω is a parameter. Appropriate end conditions are specified so that the problem is self-adjoint.

The three methods are: Newton's method, Stodola's method, and the Rayleigh-Ritz method. The methods are derived and a computer solution by each method is included in the paper. A second problem involving Bessel's equation of order zero is solved using each method and a comparison of the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions is made with tabulated values.

The results indicate that Newton's method is to be preferred usually.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Consider the linear homogeneous differential equation with variable coefficients of the form

$$P(x) y''(x) + P'(x) y'(x) + \omega^2 M(x) y(x) = 0, \quad x \in (0, L), \quad (1)$$

where $P(x)$ is of class C^1 , $M(x)$ is continuous, and both functions are positive, or have at most isolated zeroes on the fundamental interval $(0, L)$. Also given are end conditions of the form

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 y(x_1) + b_1 y'(x_1) &= 0 \\ a_2 y(x_2) + b_2 y'(x_2) &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

The function y and the parameter ω are to be determined.

An equation of the form (1) may arise as a result of solving a partial differential equation of the form

$$M(x) \frac{\partial^2 U(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(P(x) \frac{\partial U(x, t)}{\partial x} \right) \quad (3)$$

by separation of variables with boundary conditions corresponding to (2). The solution of (3) is assumed to be of the form

$$U(x, t) = X(x) T(t) \quad (4)$$

and standard techniques for separation of variables [8] are employed. Equation (1) may also occur as the Euler equation [1] of an isoperimetric problem of the form

$$\int_0^L P(x) y'(x)^2 dx = \text{MIN} \quad (5)$$

subject to the constraint

$$\int_0^L M(x) y(x)^2 dx = 1. \quad (6)$$

This is equivalent to solving the problem

$$\int_0^L P(x) y'(x)^2 dx / \int_0^L M(x) y(x)^2 dx = \text{MIN}. \quad (7)$$

In this case, the Euler equation is

$$\frac{d}{dx} (F_{y'}) - F_y = \frac{d}{dx} [P(x) y'(x)] + \omega^2 M(x) y(x) = 0 \quad (8)$$

where

$$F = f^0 - \omega^2 f^1 \quad (9)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} f^0 &= P(x) y'(x)^2 \\ f^1 &= M(x) y(x)^2. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Calculus of variations treats the minimization or maximization of functionals such as integrals. This paper considers three techniques for obtaining the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of Eq. (1). These techniques are Newton's method, Stodola's method, and the Rayleigh-Ritz method [3, 2, 5].

Newton's method may be applied to the solution of either the isoperimetric problem or the equation resulting from separation of variables. The principal problem is to obtain a value of the solution to the differential equation which will satisfy the end conditions imposed by Eq. (2).

Consider y as a function $y(x, \omega)$ on those extremals [1] from (x_1, y_1) . Let the derivative of y with respect to ω be

$$S(x, \omega) = \frac{\partial y(x_1, \omega)}{\partial \omega} \quad (11)$$

A correctional equation

$$\omega_{\text{New}} = \omega_{\text{Old}} - \frac{y(x_2, \omega) - y(x_2)}{S(x_2, \omega)} \quad (12)$$

is derived in Chapter II and the sequence of steps to obtain the solution is discussed there.

Now consider Eq. (1) written in the self-adjoint form

$$-\frac{d}{dx} [P(x) y'(x)] = \omega^2 M(x) y(x) \quad (13)$$

subject to the constraints (2). In Stodola's method, consider (13) to have the form

$$L y = \omega^2 y \quad (14)$$

where the operator L is defined

$$L y(x) = \frac{1}{M(x)} - \frac{d}{dx} (P(x) y'(x)) \quad (15)$$

For the eigenvalues ω_i^2 and associated eigenfunction X_i ,

$$L X_i = \omega_i^2 X_i \quad (16)$$

Taking into account the end conditions, define an inverse operator, L^{-1} , then

$$L^{-1} X_i = \frac{1}{\omega_i^2} X_i \quad (17)$$

Since differential equation (13) and the boundary conditions (2) are self-adjoint, there is an infinite set of orthogonal eigenfunctions, X_i , and an arbitrary function, Y_0 , satisfying the end conditions (2), can be expanded in a series of eigenfunctions

$$Y_0 = a_1 X_1 + a_2 X_2 + \dots \quad (18)$$

Repeated application of the inverse operator (17) to Y_0 emphasizes the coefficient of X_1 , and decreases the relative size of the other coefficients. The resulting function Y is the corresponding eigenfunction. Further details of Stodola's method are discussed in Chapter III.

The Rayleigh-Ritz method is a procedure for obtaining approximate solutions of variational problems. The procedure consists of assuming that the desired extremal, $y(x)$ can be approximated by a linear combination of n suitably chosen functions

$$y(x) \approx C_1 \phi_1(x) + C_2 \phi_2(x) + \dots + C_M \phi_M(x) ; \quad (19)$$

The C_i are to be determined to effect the desired minimum. Usually the $\phi_i(x)$ are chosen to meet the boundary conditions for any choice of C_i . An approximation of $y(x)$ may also be made by spline functions of the form

$$y(x) \approx C_1 + C_2 x + C_3 x^2 + C_4 [(x - \alpha_1)] + \dots + C_{K+3} [(x - \alpha_K)^2]$$

where the C_i are to be determined and the α_i are in $(0, L)$. The function $[(x - \alpha_K)^2] = (x - \alpha_K)^2$ if $x > \alpha_K$ and is zero for $x < \alpha_K$.

The C 's are not independent but must be chosen to satisfy the end conditions. In both the polynomial and spline function approximations, determination of the C_i is accomplished by solving an algebraic eigenvalue problem [4].

In the following chapters, Newton's, Stodola's and the Rayleigh-Ritz method are discussed in more detail and computer solutions of (1) by the three methods are presented.

II. NEWTON'S METHOD

The problem of minimizing the numerator of Eq. (1.7) with the denominator constrained to equal one is again being considered. The problem may be expressed in the form

$$I = \int_0^L P(x) y'(x)^2 dx = \int_0^L f^0 dx = \text{MIN} \quad (1)$$

and

$$J = \int_0^L M(x) y(x)^2 dx = \int_0^L f^1 dx = 1 \quad (2)$$

Assume the desired solution $y(x) = y^*(x)$ has been found. Then

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 y(x_1) + b_1 y'(x_1) &= 0 \\ a_2 y(x_2) + b_2 y'(x_2) &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

and

$$\int_0^L f^1(x, y, y') dx = 1, \quad y = y^*, \quad y' = y^{*'} \quad (4)$$

A curve satisfying conditions (3) and (4) is called admissible.

A. DERIVATION OF NECESSARY CONDITION

The first necessary condition is derived for the case where $b_1 = 0 = b_2$. Consider replacing $y^*(x)$ by $y^*(x) + e\eta'(x)$, where $\eta(x)$ is an arbitrary function vanishing at 0 and L and having piecewise continuous first derivatives. It is necessary that

$$\frac{dI}{de} = \int_0^L (f_{y'}^0 - \int_0^x f_y^0 dx) \eta'(x) dx = 0 \quad (5)$$

or

$$\frac{dI}{de} = \int_0^L M_0(x) \eta'(x) dx = 0 \quad (6)$$

for all η such that

$$\frac{dJ}{de} = \int_0^L (f_{y'}^1 - \int_0^x f_{yy'}^1 dx) \eta'(x) dx = 0 \quad (7)$$

or

$$\frac{dJ}{de} = \int_0^L M_1(x) \eta'(x) dx = 0 \quad (8)$$

In Eq. (6) and (8), $M_i(x)$ is defined as

$$M_i(x) = (f_{y'}^i - \int_0^x f_{yy'}^i dx)_{y=y^*}, \quad y' = y^{*'} \quad (9)$$

Let

$$g_i(x) = M_i(x) - M_{i_{av}} = M_i(x) - \int_0^L M_i(x) dx / L \quad (10)$$

The above necessary condition may be reexpressed. It is necessary that

$$\frac{dI}{de} = \int_0^L g_0(x) \eta'(x) dx = 0 \quad (11)$$

for all η such that

$$\frac{dJ}{de} = \int_0^L g_1(x) \eta'(x) dx = 0 \quad (12)$$

since

$$\int_0^L M_{i_{av}} \eta'(x) dx = M_{i_{av}} \int_0^L \eta'(x) dx = M_{i_{av}} \eta(x) \Big|_0^L = 0 \quad (13)$$

Now choose

$$\eta'(x) = g_0(x) + c g_1(x) \quad (14)$$

and choose c so that $\eta'(x)$ is admissible:

$$\frac{dJ}{dc} = \int_0^L g_1(g_0 + c g_1) dx = 0 . \quad (15)$$

If $g_1(x) \neq 0$, Eq. (16) can be solved for c giving

$$c = - \int_0^L g_0(x) g_1(x) dx / \int_0^L g_0(x)^2 dx \quad (16)$$

Now consider

$$\frac{dI}{dc} = \int_0^L g_0(x) (g_0(x) + c g_1(x)) dx \quad (17)$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dI}{dc} + c \frac{dJ}{dc} &= \int_0^L (g_0(x) + c g_1(x)) (g_0(x) + c g_1(x)) dx \\ &= \int_0^L (g_0(x) + c g_1(x))^2 dx \geq 0 . \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Then

$$\frac{dI}{dc} > 0 \quad (19)$$

unless

$$g_0(x) + c g_1(x) = 0 . \quad (20)$$

Hence this is a necessary condition, known as the First Necessary Condition, or the integrated form of the Euler equation. Writing Eq. (20) as

$$f_y^0 + c f_y^1 - \int_0^x (f_y^0 + c f_y^1) dx = (M_0(x) + c M_1(x))_{av} \quad (21)$$

it is seen that f^0 and f^1 enter only on the combination

$$F = f^0 + c f^1 . \quad (22)$$

The integral form of Euler's equation [1]

$$F_y - \int_0^x F_{yy} dx = M_{av} = \text{CONSTANT} \quad (23)$$

is obtained from (20) by setting

$$M_{av} = M_{0av} + c M_{1av} \quad (24)$$

Now let

$$c = -\omega^2 \quad (25)$$

then the Euler Equation

$$F_{yy} y''(x) + F_{yy} y'(x) + F_{yx} y(x) - F_y = 0 \quad (26)$$

becomes

$$P(x) y''(x) + P'(x) y'(x) = -\omega^2 M(x) y(x) \quad (27)$$

It may be noted that this differential equation is self-adjoint.

B. COMPUTATIONAL ROUTINE

It will generally be necessary to generate the curve by forward numerical integration. There are two parameters

$$c_1 = c = -\omega^2 \quad (28)$$

and

$$c_2 = y'(0) \quad (29)$$

which are needed to determine a curve which is an approximation to the solution; an estimate of $y_2'(0)$ is needed in order to start integration.

In order to apply Newton's method it is necessary to evaluate derivatives with respect to these parameters. Let

$$u = \frac{\partial y(x)}{\partial c_1} \quad (30)$$

and

$$v = \frac{\partial y(x)}{\partial c_2} . \quad (31)$$

Then differentiating Eq. (27) with respect to c_1 gives

$$P(x) u'' + P'(x) u' - c_1 M(x) u = M(x) y(x) \quad (32)$$

Denote the left side of (32) as Lu , defining the second-order linear differential operator L . Then the equations for u may be written

$$L u = M(x) y(x) \quad (33)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} u(0) &= 0 \\ u'(0) &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

The corresponding equations for v are

$$P(x) v'' + P'(x) v' - c_1 M(x) v = 0 \quad (35)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} v(0) &= 0 \\ v'(0) &= 1 \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

or

$$\begin{aligned}
 L v &= 0 \\
 v(0) &= 0 \\
 v'(0) &= 1 .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{37}$$

The correctional equation for J is obtained from the approximate relations

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta J &= \frac{\partial J}{\partial c_1} \Delta c_1 + \frac{\partial J}{\partial c_2} \Delta c_2 \\
 &= A_1 - J ;
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{38}$$

by J is meant the computed value. The correctional equation for y is obtained from the linear approximation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta y(L) &= u(L) \Delta c_1 + v(L) \Delta c_2 \\
 &= - y(L)
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{39}$$

where $y(L)$ is the computed value.

However this problem has a peculiarity that makes it somewhat simpler. Because both integrals are quadratic and homogeneous in the pair $y(x)$ and $y'(x)$, the principal problem is to find c_1 so that $y(L) = 0$. The constant c_2 is then obtained by substituting the solution y into J :

$$c_2 = 1 / \sqrt{J}
 \tag{40}$$

Consider then y as a function of a single parameter

$$y = y(x, c_1)
 \tag{41}$$

The correctional equation reduces to

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y &= u(L) \Delta c_1 \\ &= y(L)/u(L)\end{aligned}\tag{42}$$

or

$$\Delta \omega^2 = -y(L)/u(L)\tag{43}$$

In the computational routine, an initial estimate of ω^2 is made. Then $y(x)$ and u are obtained by integrating Eq. (33). The correction for ω^2 is then obtained from Eq. (43). If a good guess for ω^2 is made, this method converges rapidly. If a normalized value of $y(x)$ is desired then a new solution may be obtained from

$$y(x)_{\text{new}} = y(x) / \left(\int_0^L M(x) y(x)^2 dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}\tag{44}$$

To tell if the lowest eigenfunction has been obtained, a check is made to see if the eigenfunction obtained has a zero in $(0,L)$. If it has no zero in $(0,L)$, the lowest eigenfunction has been obtained.

III. STODOLA'S METHOD

Consider Eq. (1.1)

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(P(x) y'(x) \right) = -\omega^2 M(x) y(x), \quad (1)$$

subject to the constraints

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 y(0) + b_1 y'(0) &= 0 \\ a_2 y(L) + b_2 y'(L) &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Stodola's method of finding the lowest eigenvalue and eigenfunction will now be developed. The system of Eqs. (1) and (2) is self-adjoint. In this case there are an infinite number of eigenvalues $\lambda_i = \omega_i^2$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$ and associated eigenfunctions X_i .

Consider Eq. (1) as having the form

$$L y(x) = \omega^2 y(x) \quad (3)$$

in which the linear differential operator L is defined by

$$L y(x) = \frac{-1}{M(x)} \frac{d}{dx} \left(P(x) y'(x) \right) \quad (4)$$

and consider any particular eigenfunction X_i . Then

$$\begin{aligned} L X_i &= \omega_i^2 X_i \\ L^2 X_i &= \omega_i^4 X_i \\ &\vdots \\ L^m X_i &= \omega_i^{2m} X_i \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

The inverse operator, L^{-1} , is now defined, taking into account the end conditions (2). Consider

$$\frac{d}{dx} (P(x) X_i') = -\omega_i^2 M(x) X_i \quad (6)$$

and integrate (6) to obtain

$$P(x) X_i' = -\omega_i^2 \left(\int_0^x M(x) X_i dx - c \right); \quad (7)$$

the constant c is to be determined later. The eigenfunction, X_i , may be obtained by dividing Eq. (7) by $P(x)$ and integrating again

$$X_i = -\omega_i^2 \left[\int_0^x \frac{\int_0^x M(x) X_i dx}{P(x)} dx - \int_0^x \frac{c}{P(x)} dx - d \right]. \quad (8)$$

The constants of integration, c and d , may be obtained from the constraints in Eq. (2), and Eqs. (7) and (8). Solving these equations gives

$$c = \frac{\left[a_2 \int_0^L \frac{\int_0^L M(x) X_i dx}{P(x)} dx + \frac{b_2 \int_0^L M(x) X_i dx}{P(L)} \right]}{\left[a_2 \int_0^L \frac{dx}{P(x)} + \frac{b_2}{P(L)} - \frac{a_2 b_1}{a_1 P(0)} \right]} \quad (9)$$

and

$$d = -b_1 d/a_1 P(0) \quad (10)$$

if $a_1 \neq 0$. If $a_1 = 0$ or $P(0) = 0$ then $c = 0$ and a solution for d is obtained.

The set of operations on the right side in Eqs. (7) and (8) define the inverse operator, L^{-1} , with c and d given by Eqs. (9) and (10). These operations give

$$X_i = \omega_i^2 L^{-1} X_i \quad (11)$$

or

$$L^{-1} X_i = X_i / \omega_i^2 \quad (12)$$

Stodola's method makes use of the fact that an arbitrary piecewise-continuous function which satisfies the end conditions (2) can be expanded in a series on the eigenfunctions. The first estimate Y_0 of the first eigenfunction may be chosen as follows. Let Y_0 be the first estimate of X_i : choose it so that it has no zeroes inside the interval $(0, L)$. Then Y_0 may be considered to be the following form

$$Y_0 = a_1 X_1 + a_2 X_2 + \dots \quad (13)$$

where a_1 is not equal to zero. For convenience Y_0 is normalized; the L_∞ norm of Y_0 , $||Y_0||$, is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MAX } |Y_0(x)| &= ||Y_0|| \quad (14) \\ 0 < x < L \end{aligned}$$

and $||Y_0||$ is set equal to one. Now consider

$$L^{-1} Y_0 = \frac{a_1}{\omega_1^2} X_1 + \frac{a_2}{\omega_2^2} X_2 + \dots \quad (15)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} L^{-m} Y_0 &= \frac{a_1}{\omega_1^{2m}} X_1 + \frac{a_2}{\omega_2^{2m}} X_2 + \dots \quad (16) \\ &= \frac{1}{\omega_1^{2m}} \left(a_1 X_1 + a_2 \left(\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2} \right)^{2m} X_2 + a_3 \left(\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_3} \right)^{2m} X_3 + \dots \right) \end{aligned}$$

From Eq. (16) it can be seen that the relative size of the components X_2, X_3, \dots is decreasing by a factor $\left(\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2}\right)^2, \left(\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_3}\right)^2, \dots$ respectively. After a few applications of the operator, L^{-1} , to Eq. (13), the leading term will dominate. It is convenient to normalize after each iteration; let

$$Z_m = L^{-1} Y_{m-1} \quad (17)$$

where Y_m is the m th approximation to X_1 and

$$Y_m = Z_m / ||Z_m||. \quad (18)$$

When this is compared with Eq. (12), where X_i on the left hand side corresponds to Y_{m-1} and X_i on the right hand side corresponds to Y_m , it is seen that ω_1^2 is approximately

$$\omega_1^2 = 1/||Z_m||. \quad (19)$$

The iteration is stopped when

$$||Y_m(x) - Y_{m-1}(x)|| < \epsilon, \quad (20)$$

where ϵ is some specified small number. The resulting function Y_m is an approximation to X_1 .

In the computational routine an initial approximation, Y_0 to X_1 is made which satisfies the constraints (2) and Y_0 is normalized. The next approximation to X_1 is obtained by forward integration of Eqs. (7) and (8). The contrants of integration, c and d are determined by Eqs. (9) and (10). The value of ω_1^2 is approximately $1/||Z_m||$. The new approximation, Z_m , is normalized, Eq. (18), the procedure is

repeated. When the norm of the difference between successive iterates, Y_{m-1}, Y_m , is less than some prescribed value the routine is stopped. The value of ω^2 from Eq. (19) is taken as the lowest eigenvalue and Y_m is the corresponding eigenfunction. The numerical solution of Bessel's equation of order zero gave a good approximation to the eigenvalue but a smaller value of the eigenfunction.

IV. RAYLEIGH-RITZ METHOD

The Rayleigh-Ritz method has long been used to obtain an approximate solution to eigenvalue and eigenfunction problems. This is still a useful method if a high speed computer is not available.

Assume that m functions $\phi_i(x)$ are given which satisfy the end conditions. These are often chosen as polynomials or trigonometric functions. The solution then is approximated by a linear combination of these

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i \phi_i(x) , \quad (1)$$

This is substituted into

$$\omega^2 = \int_0^L P(x) y'(x)^2 dx / \int_0^L M(x) y(x)^2 dx = \text{MIN} \quad (2)$$

and the c 's are chosen to minimize (2). This is equivalent to the minimization of a quadratic form

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m a_{ij} c_i c_j ,$$

where

$$a_{ij} = \int_0^L P(x) \phi_i'(x) \phi_j'(x) dx , \quad (3)$$

subject to a constraint that

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m b_{ij} c_i c_j = 1 , \quad (4)$$

where

$$b_{ij} = \int_0^L M(x) \bar{\phi}_i(x) \bar{\phi}_j(x) dx . \quad (5)$$

Equation (2) may then be written

$$\omega^2 = \frac{\bar{C}^T \bar{A} \bar{C}}{\bar{C}^T \bar{B} \bar{C}} = \text{MIN} \quad (6)$$

where

$$\bar{A} = a_{ij} , \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m , \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, m, \quad (7)$$

$$\bar{B} = b_{ij} , \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m , \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, m, \quad (8)$$

and

$$\bar{C} = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m)^T \quad (9)$$

The problem may be reduced as follows. Let the eigenvalues of B be λ_i^2 , $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ and the associated normalized eigenvectors u_i . Then

$$\bar{T}^T \bar{B} \bar{T} = \bar{I} \quad (10)$$

where

$$\bar{T} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m) \text{DIAG} (1/\lambda_1, 1/\lambda_2, \dots, 1/\lambda_m) \quad (11)$$

and the transformation

$$\bar{C} = \bar{T} \bar{D}, \quad (12)$$

where

$$\bar{D} = (d_1, d_2, \dots, d_m)^T \quad (13)$$

gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 \overline{D}^T \overline{D} &= \overline{D}^T \overline{T}^T \overline{B} \overline{T} \overline{D} \\
 &= \overline{C}^T \overline{B} \overline{C} \\
 &= 1
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{14}$$

The desired minimum value of

$$\overline{C}^T \overline{A} \overline{C} = \overline{D}^T \overline{T}^T \overline{A} \overline{T} \overline{D} = \text{MIN}
 \tag{15}$$

subject to (14) is the minimum eigenvalue of

$$\overline{E} = \overline{T}^T \overline{A} \overline{T}
 \tag{16}$$

and the corresponding vector \overline{D} is the associated normalized eigenvector of \overline{E} . Since the elements of \overline{T} and \overline{D} are known, \overline{C} may be evaluated from (4.12).

The minimization technique using the spline function approximation

$$y(x) \approx C_1 + C_2 x + C_3 x^2 + C_4 [(x - \alpha_1)^2] + \dots + C_{K+3} [(x - \alpha_K)^2]
 \tag{17}$$

is similar to the polynomial approximation method. In this case however, the functions $\phi_i(x)$ do not satisfy the end conditions.

Hence the constants above are not independent but one of them is dependent on the others for the end conditions to be satisfied. It is necessary to have an initial subprogram to eliminate this constant. Then the problem is reduced to the same form as before

$$\sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} a_{ij} c_i c_j = \text{MIN}
 \tag{18}$$

and

$$\sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} b_{ij} c_i c_j = 1 \quad (19)$$

and solved as before.

V. APPLICATION OF RAYLEIGH-RITZ,
STODOLA AND NEWTON METHODS

In Chapters II, III and IV, three methods were developed for finding the lowest eigenvalue and eigenfunction for Eq. (1.1). These methods were used to obtain numerical solutions of the following two problems: Bessel's equation of order zero

$$x y''(x) + y'(x) + \omega^2 x y(x) = 0, \quad x \in (0, 2.405), \quad (1)$$

subject to the constraints

$$y(0) = 1, \quad y(2.405) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 0; \quad (2)$$

and an equation of the form

$$(1+x) y''(x) + y'(x) + \omega^2 y(x) = 0, \quad x \in (0, 1), \quad (3)$$

subject to the constraints

$$y(0) = y(1) = 0. \quad (4)$$

In this chapter the computation and numerical results are discussed.

In the Rayleigh-Ritz polynomial approximation, an approximation for the extremal, $y(x)$, satisfying Eq. (3) was made by choosing suitable functions $\bar{\phi}_1(x)$ and $\bar{\phi}_2(x)$ to satisfy the constraints in Eq. (4). The approximation for $y(x)$ is

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= c_1 \bar{\phi}_1(x) + c_2 \bar{\phi}_2(x) \\ &= c_1 x (1-x) + c_2 x^2 (1-x) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

The values of c_1 , c_2 , and the lowest eigenvalues were obtained by the techniques described in Chapter II. Computer Output 1. shows the values of c_1 and c_2 , the lowest eigenvalue and the values of $y(x)$ at tenths of an interval. The numerical solution of Eq. (3) using the spline function approximation

$$y(x) \approx c_1 x + c_2 x^2 + c_3 \left[(x-1/3)^2 \right] + c_4 \left[(x-2/3)^2 \right] \quad (6)$$

is shown in Computer Output 2. and Computer Program 2. This solution followed a format similar to the polynomial approximation solution. However, a transformation was required to eliminate the dependent coefficient. In this case the coefficient c_4 was taken as dependent on c_1 , c_2 and c_3 . The required matrix products, transpositions and eigenvalue solutions were evaluated by using subroutine GMPRD, GMTRA, and EIGEN respectively, [4].

A numerical solution of Eq. (3) by Stodola's method using as a first estimate

$$y(x) = 4x(1-x) \quad (7)$$

to satisfy the constraints in Eq. (4) yielded the values in Computer Output 3. The solution of Eq. (3) by Newton's method with an initial estimate of

$$\omega^2 = 2.0 \quad (8)$$

is shown in Computer Output 4. In these two methods the fundamental interval (0,1) was sub-divided into one hundred equal sub-intervals to perform the second order Runge-Kutta integration routine. If the error between the computed value and the boundary value at X equal

one was less than one ten thousandth, the program was terminated.

The programs for Stodola's and Newton's method are shown in Computer Program 3. and Computer Program 4.

The lowest eigenvalues obtained by the above methods are reasonably close in value. The maximum difference in values was between Newton's method

$$\omega = 3.78634 \quad (9)$$

and Rayleigh-Ritz polynomial approximation,

$$\omega = 3.79813 . \quad (10)$$

Newton's method converged in three iterations and Stodola's method required seven iterations.

The Rayleigh-Ritz, Stodola and Newton methods were used to find a numerical solution to Bessel's equation of order zero, Eq. (1). A tabulated solution, [7], of Eq. (1) gives the smallest eigenvalue as one. The result obtained by the Rayleigh-Ritz method was

$$\omega = 1.01435 \quad (11)$$

when the function was approximated by quadratic splines

$$y(x) = c_1 + c_2 x^2 + c_3 \left[(x - 0.8)^2 \right] + c_4 \left[(x - 1.6)^2 \right] . \quad (12)$$

The smallest eigenvalue of Eq. (1) obtained by using Stodola's method with an initial estimate of

$$y(x) = \left((1-x)/2.405 \right)^2 \quad (13)$$

is

$$\omega = 1.00000 \quad (14)$$

In Newton's method an initial estimate of

$$\omega = 1.4 \quad (15)$$

yielded a value

$$\omega = 1.0000 \quad (16)$$

for the lowest eigenvalue.

A comparison of the eigenfunction, $y(x)$, obtained by the three methods was made with tabulated values for $y(x)$ of Eq. (1). The values obtained by Newton's method at tenths of an interval were within five ten-thousandths, by Rayleigh-Ritz were within five thousandths and by Stodola's method were within two one-hundredths. The best approximation of the lowest eigenfunction was obtained by Newton's method.

The solution of ω^2 obtained by the Rayleigh-Ritz method is greater than the theoretical value as given in Reference 5. The numerical solution of Bessel's equation of order zero supported this conclusion. The value obtained for ω^2 was approximately one-thousandth larger than the theoretical value.

The results of the three methods are shown in Computer Output 5., 6., and 7. and the programs are shown in Computer Programs 5., 6., and 7.

VI. CONCLUSION

The three methods each yield satisfactory values for the eigenvalues and the eigenvectors. Generally, Newton's method seems to be most satisfactory. It is for the most part straightforward to program. The only significant errors that are not apparent are there due to the integration routine. It is very flexible, being applicable to many different types of problems. It converges rapidly if a good initial estimate is made, and computing times seem to be generally small. Proof of the exact convergence of Newton's method may be found in Reference 3.

Stodola's method also is quite satisfactory. There seems to be no question of convergence. The initial guess can be quite poor and it will still converge. More iterations than for Newton's method seems to be required to get the same accuracy, and there is no simple way to get an estimate of the error.

The Rayleigh-Ritz method seems to have little to recommend it if a good computer is available. It is more difficult to program. It has one advantage that no iteration is required. Use of spline functions increases the tedium of programming so that they are not worthwhile.

The methods of Stodola and Rayleigh-Ritz were used before the advent of large scale computers, though application was rather limited compared to problems that can be treated now.

In case larger eigenvalues and associated eigenfunctions are needed, Newton's method yields these directly if the initial estimate of ω is changed. The number of zeros of the eigenfunction obtained show which eigenvalue and eigenfunction has been obtained. The eigenfunctions are automatically orthogonal with a weight factor $M(x)$ since the system is self-adjoint.

If Stodola's method is used to obtain higher eigenvalues and eigenfunctions it is necessary to adjoin a further condition that each new eigenfunction be orthogonal to all of the preceeding. This increases the tedium of programming and decreases the accuracy, since preceding values are only approximate.

In the Rayleigh-Ritz method, an estimate of other eigenvalues and eigenfunctions is obtained from the other eigenvectors of the matrix \bar{E} of chapter IV. The eigenvalues are too high unless the eigenfunction can be expressed as a finite sum of the functions $\Phi_i(x)$.

COMPUTER OUTPUT 1. (Polynomial)

THE SMALLEST EIGENVALUE 3.798129

THE VALUES OF C1 AND C2

C1= 7.014201

C2= -3.138530

THE VALUES OF Y(X) AT ONE-TENTH INTERVAL

X	Y
0.0	0.0
0.100000	0.603079
0.200000	1.021852
0.300000	1.275272
0.400000	1.382130
0.500000	1.361256
0.599999	1.231482
0.699999	1.011638
0.799999	0.720556
0.899999	0.377068
0.999999	0.000004

COMPUTER OUTPUT 2. (Spline)

THE SMALLEST EIGENVALUE 3.790108

VALUES OF C1,C2,C3,AND C4

C1= 6.358921

C2= -7.197122

C3= 0.565650

C4= 5.281205

VALUES OF Y(X) AT ONE-TENTH INTERVAL

X	Y
0.0	0.0
0.100000	0.563920
0.200000	0.983899
0.300000	1.259933
0.400000	1.394543
0.500000	1.395892
0.599999	1.264613
0.699999	1.006572
0.799999	0.698055
0.899999	0.362533
0.999999	0.000003

COMPUTER OUTPUT 3. (Stodola)

NI = 7.0 OMEGA = 3.787142
 THE MAXIMUM DIFFERENCE BETWEEN YB AND YBN IS 0.000047
 PE, KE, AND ROOT (PE/KE) ARE 7.172087 0.498484 3.793123

X	YBN
0.0	0.0
0.100000	0.387621
0.200000	0.694288
0.300000	0.897866
0.400000	0.992039
0.500000	0.982383
0.600000	0.883094
0.700000	0.713473
0.800000	0.495322
0.900000	0.250609
1.000000	-0.000014

COMPUTER OUTPUT 4. (Newton)

THIS IS PATH NO. 3. OMEGA= 3.78634

X	Y
0.0	0.0
0.100000	0.093143
0.200000	0.166838
0.300000	0.215768
0.400000	0.238397
0.500000	0.236090
0.600000	0.212242
0.700000	0.171498
0.800000	0.119087
0.900000	0.061299
1.000000	0.000081

COMPUTER OUTPUT 5. (Spline)

THE SMALLEST EIGENVALUE 1.000103

VALUES OF C1,C2,C3,AND C4

C1= -1.132401

C2= 0.272184

C3= -0.125127

C4= -0.184540

VALUES OF Y(X) AT ONE-TENTH INTERVAL

X	Y
0.0	-1.132401
0.240500	-1.116657
0.481000	-1.069427
0.721500	-0.990712
0.962000	-0.883794
1.202499	-0.759094
1.443000	-0.617383
1.683499	-0.459947
1.924000	-0.302298
2.164499	-0.148986
2.405000	-0.000009

COMPUTER OUTPUT 6. (Stcdola)

NI= 7. CMEGA= 1.000000
 THE MAXIMUM DIFFERENCE BETWEEN YB AND YBN IS 0.000021
 PE, KE, AND ROOT (PE/KE) ARE 0.755341 0.761183 0.996155

X	YBN
0.0	1.000000
0.240500	0.974024
0.481000	0.931927
0.721500	0.863787
0.962000	0.772530
1.202499	0.662059
1.443000	0.537061
1.683499	0.402789
1.924000	0.264808
2.164499	0.128741
2.405000	0.0

COMPUTER OUTPUT 7. (Newton)

THIS IS PATH NO. 4. OMEGA =			0.99998
X	Y		
0.0	1.000000		
0.240500	0.985594		
0.481000	0.942999		
0.721500	0.874051		
0.962000	0.781713		
1.202499	0.669932		
1.443000	0.543451		
1.683499	0.407585		
1.924000	0.267966		
2.164499	0.130282		
2.405000	0.000010		

COMPUTER PROGRAM 1.

RAYLEIGH-RITZ METHOD APPLIED TO EQN (1.1)

$$(1+X)*Y''(X)+Y'(X)+(W**2)*Y(X)=0$$

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    DIMENSION PH(2,101),PHP(2,101),A(2,2),B(2,2),P(101),
1FA(101),FB(101),BL(2,2),AMB(2,2),C(2),AX(3),BX(3),
2RLB(2),BXD(2),T(2,2),D(2),TT(2,2),ALPHA(2,2),AP(2,2),
3S(2,2),RLBD(2),Y(101),Z(101)
    REAL LEV
    X=0.
    DX=0.01
    DO 1 I=1,101
C DEFINITION OF ELEMENTS OF MATRIX B
    P(I)=1.0+X
    PH(1,I)=X*(1.0-X)
    PH(2,I)=(X**2)*(1.0-X)
C DEFINITION OF ELEMENTS OF MATRIX A
    PHP(1,I)=1.0-2.0*X
    PHP(2,I)=2.0*X-3.0*(X**2)
    X=X+0.01
1 CONTINUE
C COMPUTE A(I,K) AND B(I,K)
    DO 2 I=1,2
    DO 3 K=1,2
    FAINT = 0
    FBINT = 0
    FA(1)=P(1)*PHP(1,1)*PHP(K,1)
    FB(1)=PH(1,1)*PH(K,1)
    DO 4 J=2,101
    FA(J)=P(J)*PHP(1,J)*PHP(K,J)
    FB(J)=PH(1,J)*PH(K,J)
    FAINT=FAINT + (FA(J)+ FA(J-1))*DX/2
    FBINT=FBINT+ (FB(J)+FB(J-1))*DX/2
4 CONTINUE
    A(I,K)=FAINT
    B(I,K)=FBINT
3 CONTINUE
2 CONTINUE
C INITIALIZE BX FOR THE INPUT TO EIGEN ROUTINE
    NC=1
    DO 201 J=1,2
    DO 202 I=1,2
    BX(NC)=B(I,J)
    NC=NC+1
    IF (I.GE.J) GO TO 201
202 CONTINUE
201 CONTINUE
    CALL EIGEN (BX,S,2,0)
C RLB(I) IS 1/SQRT OF EVAL OF B
    KK=1
    DO 8 II=1,2
    BXD(II)=BX(KK)
    KK=KK+II+1
8 CONTINUE
    DO 84 II=1,2
    DO 9 JJ=1,2
    B (II,JJ)=0
9 CONTINUE
84 CONTINUE
    DO 6 I=1,2
    RLBD(I)=SQRT(BXD(I))
    RLB(I)=1.0/RLBD(I)
    B (1,I)=RLB(I)

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6 CONTINUE
C MULT S(I,J)*B (I,J)=T(I,J)
CALL GMPRD (S,B ,T,2,2,2)
C TRANSPOSE T=TT
CALL GMTPA (T,TT,2,2)
C MULT A*T=AP
CALL GMPRD ( A,T,AP,2,2,2)
C MULT TT*AP=ALPHA
CALL GMPRD (TT,AP,ALPHA,2,2,2)
C FIND E VAL AND E VEC OF ALPHA
NC=1
DO 210 J=1,2
DO 211 I=1,2
AX(NC)=ALPHA(I,J)
NC=NC+1
IF (I.GE.J) GO TO 210
211 CONTINUE
210 CONTINUE
CALL EIGEN (AX ,S,2,2)
LEV=SQRT(AX(3))
DO 7 I=1,2
D(I)= S(I,2)
7 CONTINUE
C MULT T*D TO GET VALUES OF C
CALL GMPRD (T,D,C,2,2,1)
C EVALUATE Y AND Z
Z(1)=0
DO 12 I=2,101
Z(I)=Z(I-1)+C. 1
12 CONTINUE
DO 13 I=1,101
Y(I)=C(1)*PH(1,I)+C(2)*PH(2,I)
13 CONTINUE
WRITE (6,1 ) LEV,C(1),C(2),(Z(I),Y(I),I=1,101,10)
10 FORMAT ('1'//////////,'0',15X,'THE SMALLEST EIGENVALUE',
1F15.6//,'0',15X,'THE VALUES OF C1 AND C2'//,' ',15X,
2'C1=',F15.6//,' ',15X,'C2=',F15.6//,' ',15X,
3'THE VALUES OF Y(X) AT ONE-TENTH INTERVAL'//,
4'C',18X,'X',15X,'Y'//(' ',2F15.6//))
WRITE (6,998)
998 FORMAT ('1',2X)
STOP
END

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COMPUTER PROGRAM 2.

RAYLEIGH-RITZ METHOD APPLIED TO EQN (1.1)

$$(1+X)*Y''(X)+Y'(X)+(W**2)*Y(X)=0$$

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DIMENSION A(3,3),B(3,3),AX(6),BX(6),R(3,3),RLB(3),
1T(3,3),ALPHA(3,3),AP(4,4),TT(3,3),S(3,3),D(2),C(3),
2BXD(2),RLBD(3),AQ(4,4),BP(4,4),CM(4,3),CMT(3,4),BCM(
34,3),ACM(4,3),P(101),PH(4,101),PHP(4,101),FA(101)
4,FB(101),Y(101),Z(101)
REAL LFV
X=0.
DO 1 I=1,101
C DEFINITION OF ELEMENTS OF MATRIX B
P(I)=1.+X
PH(1,I)=X
PH(2,I)=X**2
PH(3,I)=((X-1./3.+ABS(X-1./3.))/2. )**2
PH(4,I)=((X-2./3.+ABS(X-2./3.))/2. )**2
C DEFINITION OF ELEMENTS OF MATRIX A
PHP(1,I)=1
PHP(2,I)=2.*X
PHP(3,I)=X-1./3.+ABS(X-1./3.)
PHP(4,I)=X-2./3.+ABS(X-2./3.)
92 X=X+0.01
1 CONTINUE
DX=0.01
C COMPUTE AP(I,K) AND BP(I,K)
DO 2 I=1,4
DO 3 K=1,4
FAINT=0.
FBINT=0.
FA(1)=P(I)*PHP(I,1)*PHP(K,1)
FB(1)=PH(I,1)*PH(K,1)
DO 4 J=2,101
FA(J)=P(J)*PHP(I,J)*PHP(K,J)
FB(J)=PH(I,J)*PH(K,J)
FAINT=FAINT+(FA(J)+FA(J-1))*DX/2
FBINT=FBINT+(FB(J)+FB(J-1))*DX/2
4 CONTINUE
AP(I,K)=FAINT
BP(I,K)=FBINT
3 CONTINUE
2 CONTINUE
C INITIALIZE CM
DO 51 KA=1,4
DO 52 KB=1,3
CM(KA,KB)=0.0
52 CONTINUE
51 CONTINUE
C EVALUATION OF THE TRANSFORMATION MATRIX CM
DO 53 KA=1,3
CM(KA,KA)=1.0
53 CONTINUE
CM(4,1)=-9.
CM(4,2)=-9.
CM(4,3)=-4.
CALL GMTRA(CM,CMT,4,3)
C MAKE TRANSFORMATION CM (TRANSPUSED)*B*CM
CALL GMPRD(RP,CM,BCM,4,4,3)
CALL GMPRD(CMT,BCM,P,3,4,3)
C MAKE TRANSFORMATION CM(TRANSPUSED)*A*CM
CALL GMPRD(AP,CM,ACM,4,4,3)
CALL GMPRD(CMT,ACM,A,3,4,3)
NC=1
C INITIALIZE BX FOR THE INPUT TO EIGEN ROUTINE
DO 201 J=1,3

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COMPUTER PROGRAM 3.

STODOLA'S METHOD APPLIED TO EQN(1.1)

$$(1+X)*Y''(X)+Y'(X)+(W**2)*Y(X)=0$$

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C YB IS THE GUESSED VALUE OF Y AND YBN IS COMPUTED VALUE OF Y
  DIMENSION YB(101),SS(101),PI(101),YBN(101),ER(101),
  1 X(101)
  REAL KE
  1 CONTINUE
  S=0.
  PI(1)=0.
  NI=1
  DX=0.01
  BPROG=0.
  DO 15 I=1,101
  X(I)=0.1*(I-1)
  15 CONTINUE
  DO 2 I=1,101
  SS(I)=0
  YB(I)=4.*X(I)*(1-X(I))
C NORMALIZE YB
  IF (ABS(YB(I)).LE.BPROG) GO TO 2
  BPROG=ABS(YB(I))
  2 CONTINUE
  DO 16 I=1,101
  YB(I)=YB(I)/BPROG
  16 CONTINUE
  3 CONTINUE
  DO 4 I=1,100
  SQ=S
  S=S+(YP(I)+YB(I+1))*DX/2.
  SS(I+1)=SS(I)+(SQ/(1+X(I))+S/(1+X(I+1)))*DX/2.
  PI(I+1)=(1/(1+X(I))+1/(1+X(I+1)))*DX/2.+PI(I)
  4 CONTINUE
C NOW GET NORM OF THE NEW YB
  BPROG=0.
  DO 5 I=1,101
  YBN(I)=PI(I)*SS(I)/PI(101)-SS(I)
  IF (ABS(YBN(I)).LE.BPROG) GO TO 5
  BPROG=ABS(YBN(I))
  5 CONTINUE
  OMB=SQRT(1/BPROG)
  ERR=0.
  DO 6 I=1,101
  YBN(I)=YBN(I)/BPROG
  ER(I)=YB(I)-YBN(I)
  IF (ABS(ER(I)).LT.ERR) GO TO 6
  ERR=ABS(ER(I))
  6 CONTINUE
  KE=0.
  PE=0.
  7 CONTINUE
C CHECK TO SEE HOW STODOLA COMPARES WITH RAYLEIGH QUOTIENT
  DO 8 I=1,101
  KE=KE+(YBN(I)**2+YBN(I+1)**2)*DX/2
  PE=PE+(1+X(I+1))*((YBN(I+1)-YBN(I))/DX)**2*DX
  8 CONTINUE
  OMB2=SQRT(PE/KE)
  IF (NI.LT.7) GO TO 12
  9 WRITE(6,10) NI,OMB,ERR,PE,KE,OMB2,(X(I),YBN(I),
  1 I=1,101,10)
  10 FORMAT ('1'////////,'*',15X,'NI=',I2,', OMB=GA =',F12.6,

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1/15X,'THE MAXIMUM DIFFERENCE BETWEEN YB AND YBN IS'
2F12.6,/15X,'PE,KE,AND ROOT (PE/KE) ARE',3F12.6,/
3/2X,'X',1X,'YBN',//,(12X,2F12.6//))
12 CONTINUE
DO 11 I=1,1
YB(I)=YBN(I)
11 CONTINUE
NI=NI+1
IF (NI.LT.25) GO TO 27
GO TO 999
270 IF (ERR.GT.(.0001)) GO TO 3
GO TO 999
999 WRITE (6,998)
998 FORMAT ('1',2X)
STOP
END

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COMPUTER PROGRAM 4.

NEWTON'S METHOD APPLIED TO EQN (1.1)

$$(1+X)*Y''(X)+Y'(X)+(W**2)*Y(X)=0$$

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DIMENSION X(101),Y(101),YP(101),YO(101),YPO(101)
DO 1 I=1,101
  X(I)=.01*(I-1)
1 CONTINUE
  Y(1)=0.
  YP(1)=1.
  YPN=YP(1)
  DX=.01
  NI=1
  YO(1)=(
  YPO(1)=0
  YPON=YPO(1)
C GET MODE AND OMEGA BY NEWTONS METHOD. FIRST GUESS OM = 2.0
C USE RUNGA KUTTA 2ND ORDER INTEGRATION ROUTINE
  OM=2.0
100 DO 2 I=1,100
  J=-1
  XN=X(I+1)
  YN=Y(I)
  YON=YO(I)
200 YPN=YP(I)-(OM**2)*(Y(I)/(1+X(I))+YN/(1+XN))*DX/2
  1-(YP(I)/(1+X(I))+YPN/(1+XN))*DX/2
  YN=Y(I)+(YP(I)+YPN)*DX/2
  YPON=YPO(I)-(YPO(I)/(1+X(I))+YPON/(1+XN))*DX/2-(OM**2)
  1*(YO(I)/(1+X(I))+YON/(1+XN))*DX/2-2*OM*(Y(I)/(1+X(I))
  2+YN/(1+XN))*DX/2
  YON=YO(I)+(YPO(I)+YPON)*DX/2
300 IF (J.GT.0) GO TO 400
  J=1
  GO TO 200
400 YP(I+1)=YPN
  Y(I+1)=YN
  YO(I+1)=YON
  YPO(I+1)=YPON
  2 CONTINUE
  IF (NI.LT.3) GO TO 11
  WRITE (6,10) NI,OM,(X(I),Y(I),I=1,101,10)
10 FORMAT ('1',//////////,'0',15X,'THIS IS PATH NO.',12,
  1'0. OMEGA= ',F12.5,///,18X,'X',11X,'Y',/(10X,2F12.6//))
11 CONTINUE
  NI=NI+1
C IF ADMISSABLE QUIT
  IF (Y(101).LT.(0.0001)) GO TO 500
C CORRECT OMEGA
  OM=OM-Y(101)/YO(101)
C IF NI.GT.25 QUIT
  IF (NI.LT.25) GO TO 100
500 CONTINUE
  STOP
  END

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COMPUTER PROGRAM 5.
RAYLEIGH-RITZ METHOD APPLIED TO
BESSEL'S EQUATION OF ORDER ZERO

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    DIMENSION A(3,3),B(3,2),AX(6) ,BX(6) ,R(3,3),RLB(3),
    1IT(3,3),ALPHA(3,3),AP(4,4),TT(3,3),S(3,3),D(3),C(3),
    2BXD(3),RLBD(3),AQ(4,4),BP(4,4),CM(4,3),CMT(3,4),
    3BCM(4,3),ACM(4,3),P(101),PH(4,101),PHP(4,101),FA(101),
    4FB(101),EM(101),Y(101),Z(101)
    REAL LEV
    X=0.
    DO 1 I=1,101
    P(I)=X
    EM(I)=X
C DEFINITION OF ELEMENTS OF MATRIX B
    PH(1,I)=1.
    PH(2,I)=X**2
    PH(3,I)=((X-.8+ABS(X-.8))/2. )**2
    PH(4,I)=((X-1.6+ABS(X-1.6))/2. )**2
C DEFINITION OF ELEMENTS OF MATRIX A
    PHP(1,I)=2.*X
    PHP(2,I)=X-.8+ABS(X-.8)
    PHP(3,I)=X-1.6+ABS(X-1.6)
    92 X=X+.002405
    1 CONTINUE
    DX=.002405
C COMPUTE AP(I,K) AND BP(I,K)
    DO 2 I=1,4
    DO 3 K=1,4
    FBINT=0.
    FB(1)=EM(1)*PH(I,1)*PH(K,1)
    DO 4 J=2,101
    FB(J)=EM(J)*PH(I,J)*PH(K,J)
    FBINT=FBINT+(FB(J)+FB(J-1))*DX/2
    4 CONTINUE
    BP(I,K)=FBINT
    3 CONTINUE
    2 CONTINUE
    DO 600 I=1,3
    DO 601 K=1,3
    FAINT=0.
    FA(1)=P(1)*PHP(I,1)*PHP(K,1)
    DO 602 J=2,101
    FA(J)=P(J)*PHP(I,J)*PHP(K,J)
    FAINT=FAINT+(FA(J)+FA(J-1))*DX/2
    602 CONTINUE
    AP(I,K)=FAINT
    A(I,K)=AP(I,K)
    601 CONTINUE
    600 CONTINUE
C INITIALIZE CM
    DO 51 KA=1,4
    DO 52 KB=1,3
    CM(KA,KB)=0.0
    52 CONTINUE
    51 CONTINUE
C EVALUATION OF THE TRANSFORMATION MATRIX CM
    DO 53 KA=1,3
    CM(KA+1,KA)=1.0
    53 CONTINUE
    CM(1,1)=-5.784
    CM(1,2)=-2.576
    CM(1,3)=-0.648
    CALL GMTRA(CM,CMT,4,3)
C MAKE TRANSFORMATION CM(TRANPOSED)*B*CM
    CALL GMPRD(BP,CM,BCM,4,4,3)
    CALL GMPRD(CMT,BCM,B,3,4,3)
    NC=1

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C INITIALIZE BX FOR THE INPUT TO EIGEN ROUTINE
DO 201 J=1,3
DO 202 I=1,3
BX(NC)=B(I,J)
NC=NC+1
IF (I.GE.J) GO TO 201
202 CONTINUE
201 CONTINUE
CALL EIGEN (BX,R,3,0)
IF(BX(6).LT.0.) GO TO 806
C RLB(I) IS 1/SQRT OF E. VAL. OF B
KK=1
DO 8 II=1,3
BXD(II)=BX(KK)
KK=KK+II+1
8 CONTINUE
DO 10 II=1,3
DO 9 JJ=1,3
B (II,JJ)=0.
9 CONTINUE
10 CONTINUE
DO 6 I =1,3
RLBD(I)=SQRT(BXD(I))
RLB(I)=1.0/RLBD(I)
B (I,I)=RLB(I)
6 CONTINUE
C MULTIPLY R(I,J)*B (I,J)=T(I,J)
CALL GMPRD(R,B ,T,3,3,3)
C TRANSPOSE T=TT
CALL GMTRA(T,TT,3,3)
C MULTIPLY A*T=AQ
CALL GMPRD(A,T,AQ,3,3,3)
C MULTIPLY TT*AQ=ALPHA
CALL GMPRD(TT,AQ,ALPHA,3,3,3)
C FIND E. VAL. AND E. VEC. OF ALPHA
NC=1
DO 210 J=1,3
DO 211 I=1,3
AX(NC)=ALPHA(I,J)
NC=NC+1
IF(I.GE.J) GO TO 210
211 CONTINUE
210 CONTINUE
CALL EIGEN (AX ,S,3,0)
C LEV IS THE LOWEST EIGIN VALUE
LEV=SQRT(AX(6))
DO 7 I=1,3
D(I)=S(I,3)
7 CONTINUE
C MULT IPLY T*D TO GET VALUES OF C
CALL GMPRD(T,D,C,3,3,1)
CONE=-5.784*C(1)-2.576*C(2)-(0.648*C(3)
Z(1)=0.0
DO 64 I=2,101
Z(I)=0.02405*(I-1)
64 CONTINUE
DO 65 I=1,101
Y(I)=CONE*PH(1,I)+C(1)*PH(2,I)+C(2)*PH(3,I)+C(3)*
1PH(4,I)
65 CONTINUE
WRITE (6,109)LEV,CONE,C(1),C(2),C(3),(Z(I),Y(I),
1I=1,101,10)
109 FORMAT ('1'/////////,'0',15X,'THE SMALLEST EIGENVALUE',
1F15.6//,'0',15X,'VALUES OF C1,C2,C3,AND C4'//,'0',15X
2,'C1= ',F15.6//,'0',15X,'C2= ',F15.6//,'0',15X,'C3= ',
3F15.6//,'0',15X,'C4= ',F15.6//,'0',15X,
4'VALUES OF Y(X) AT ONE-TENTH INTERVAL'//,
5'0',19X,'X',14X,'Y'//(' ',2F15.6//))
806 STOP
END

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COMPUTER PROGRAM 6.

STODOLA'S METHOD APPLIED TO BESSEL'S EQUATION OF ORDER ZERO

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C YB IS THE GUESSED VALUE OF Y AND YBN IS COMPUTED VALUE OF Y
  DIMENSION YB(101),SS(101),PI(101),YBN(101),ER(101),
  1 X(101)
  REAL KE
  1 CONTINUE
  S=0.
  NI=1
  DX=0.02405
  BFROG=0.
  DO 15 I=1,101
  X(I)=0.02405*(I-1)
  15 CONTINUE
  DO 2 I=1,101
  SS(I)=0.
  YB(I)=(1-X(I)/2.405)**2
C NORMALIZE YB
  IF (ABS(YB(I)).LE.BFROG) GO TO 2
  BFROG=ABS(YB(I))
  2 CONTINUE
  DO 16 I=1,101
  YB(I)=YB(I)/BFROG
  16 CONTINUE
  3 CONTINUE
  SS(1)=0.
  SS(2)=YB(2)*DX/2
  S=0.
  S=S+(YB(1)*X(1)+X(2)*YB(2))*DX/2
  DO 4 I=2,101
  SO=S
  S=S+(YB(I)*X(I)+X(I+1)*YB(I+1))*DX/2
  SS(I+1)=SS(I)+(SO/X(I)+S/X(I+1))*DX/2
  4 CONTINUE
C NOW GET NORM OF THE NEW YB
  BFROG=0.
  DO 5 I=1,101
  YBN(I)=SS(I)-SS(I)
  IF (ABS(YBN(I)).LE.BFROG) GO TO 5
  BFROG=ABS(YBN(I))
  5 CONTINUE
  OMB=SQRT(1./BFROG)
  ERR=0.
  DO 6 I=1,101
  YBN(I)=YBN(I)/BFROG
  ER(I)=YB(I)-YBN(I)
  IF (ABS(ER(I)).LT.ERR) GO TO 6
  ERR=ABS(ER(I))
  6 CONTINUE
  KE=0.
  PE=0.
  7 CONTINUE
C CHECK TO SEE HOW STODOLA COMPARES WITH RAYLEIGH QUOTIENT
  DO 8 I=1,101
  KE=KE+(X(I)*YBN(I)**2+X(I+1)*YBN(I+1)**2)*DX/2
  PE=PE+X(I)*((YBN(I+1)-YBN(I))/DX)**2*DX
  8 CONTINUE
  OMB2=SQRT(PE/KE)
  IF (NI.LT.7) GO TO 12
  9 WRITE(6,10) NI,OMB,ERR,PE,KE,OMB2,(X(I),YBN(I),
  1 I=1,101,10)

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10 FORMAT ('1'////////,'0',15X,'NI=',I2,'. OMEGA=',F12.6,
1/15X,'THE MAXIMUM DIFFERENCE BETWEEN YB AND YBN IS'
2F12.6,/15X,'PE,KE,AND ROOT (PE/KE) ARE',3F12.6,/
3/20X,'X',10X,'YBN',//,(12X,2F12.6//))
12 CONTINUE
DO 11 I=1,11
YB(I)=YBN(I)
11 CONTINUE
NI=NI+1
IF (NI.LT.25) GO TO 270
GO TO 999
270 IF (ERR.GT.(.0001)) GO TO 3
GO TO 999
999 WRITE (6,998)
998 FORMAT ('1',2X)
STOP
END

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COMPUTER PROGRAM 7.
 NEWTON'S METHOD APPLIED TO
 BESSEL'S EQUATION OF ORDER ZERO

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    DIMENSION X(101),Y(101),YP(101),YO(101),YPO(101)
1  Y01(101),Y02(101)
    DO 1 I=1,101
    X(I)=0.02405*(I-1)
1  CONTINUE
    Y(1)=1.0
    YP(1)=0.0
    YPN=Y(1)
    DX=0.02405
    NI=1
    Y0(1)=0.0
    YPO(1)=0.0
    YPON=YPO(1)
C GET MODE AND OMEGA BY NEWTONS METHOD. FIRST GUESS OM = 2.0
C USE RUNGA KUTTA 2ND ORDER INTEGRATION ROUTINE
    OM=1.4
100 XN=X(2)
    YN=Y(1)
    YON=Y0(1)
    YPN=Y(1)-(OM**2)*(Y(1)+YN)*DX/2.-(-.5*(OM**2)*Y(1)
1 -.5*OM**2)*DX/2.
    I=1
    YN=Y(1)+(YP(1)+YPN)*DX/2.
    YPN=Y(1)-(OM**2)*(Y(1)+YN)*DX/2.-(-.5*(OM**2)*Y(1)
1 +YPN/XN)*DX/2.
    YN=Y(1)+(YP(1)+YPN)*DX/2
    YPON=YPO(1)-(-OM*Y(1)-OM)*DX/2.-(OM**2)*(Y0(1)+YON)*DX
1 /2.-2.*OM*(Y(1)+YN)*DX/2.
    YON=Y0(1)+(YPO(1)+YPON)*DX/2.
    YPON=YPO(1)-(-OM*Y(1)+YPON/XN)*DX/2.-(OM**2)*(Y0(1)
1 +YON)*DX/2.-2.*OM*(Y(1)+YN)*DX/2.
    YON=Y0(1)+(YPO(1)+YPON)*DX/2.
    YP(2)=YPN
    Y(2)=YN
    Y0(2)=YON
    YPO(2)=YPON
    DO 2 I=2,101
    J=-1
    YN=Y(I)
    YON=Y0(I)
200 YPN=Y(1)-(OM**2)*(Y(I)+YN)*DX/2.-(YP(I)/X(I)+YPN/XN)*
1 DX/2.
    YN=Y(I)+(YP(I)+YPN)*DX/2.
    YPON=YPO(I)-(YPO(I)/X(I)+YPON/XN)*DX/2.-(OM**2)*(Y0(I)
1 +YON)*DX/2.-2.*OM*(Y(I)+YN)*DX/2.
    YON=Y0(I)+(YPO(I)+YPON)*DX/2.
    IF (I.GT.5) GO TO 54
54 CONTINUE
300 IF (J.GT.0) GO TO 400
    XN=X(I+1)
    J=1
    GO TO 200
400 YP(I+1)=YPN
    Y(I+1)=YN
    Y0(I+1)=YON
    YPO(I+1)=YPON
    2 CONTINUE
    IF (NI.LT.4) GO TO 11
    WRITE (6,10) NI,OM,(X(I),Y(I),I=1,101,10)
10 FORMAT ('1', '//////////', '1', 15X, 'THIS IS PATH NO.', I2,
1 '1', 'OMEGA= ', F12.5, '//, 18X, 'X', 11X, 'Y', '(10X, 2F12.6//)')
11 CONTINUE

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      NI=NI+1
C   IF ADMISSABLE QUIT
      IF (ABS(Y(101)).LT.(0.00001)) GO TO 15
C   CORRECT OMEGA
      OM=OM-Y(101)/Y0(101)
C   IF NI.GT.25 QUIT
      IF (NI.LT.25) GO TO 100
15  CONTINUE
    STOP
    END

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$$P(x) y''(x) + P'(x) y'(x) + w^2 M(x) = 0 \quad (1)$$

The functions $P(x)$ and $M(x)$ are functions which are positive, or have at most isolated zeroes on the fundamental interval $(0, L)$; w is a parameter. Appropriate end conditions are specified so that the problem is self-adjoint.

The three methods are: Newton's method, Stodola's method, and the Rayleigh-Ritz method. The methods are derived and a computer solution by each method is included in the paper. A second problem involving Bessel's equation of order zero is solved using each method and a comparison of the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions is made with tabulated values.

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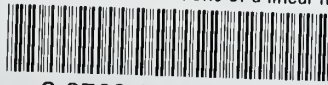
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